

INDY
HAM RADIO
NEWSLETTER

MARCH 4, 1974

INDIANAPOLIS RADIO CLUB, INCW9JP Founded 1914

REGULAR MEETINGS: ON THE 2nd & 4th Fridays each month
at 8:00 PM in the United Christian Mission Bldg.

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NOTICE: This Newsletter will only be issued once Monthly beginning with this issue.
The higher cost postage effective March 1, plus paper costs, labor costs
and less news and less help has effected this change.

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PROGRAM MEETING: FRIDAY MARCH 8th, 1974 Harold McGee W9LZ one of our growing
March 8th number of Extra Class license holders will present a Demo
and talk on the "Kenwood Twins R-599A & T-599A Transmitter
and receivers.

PROGRAM MEETING Genave Electronics will present a display and talk on their
MARCH 2 nd 2 meter FM equipment for amateur service. VHF Solid state equipment
is the latest thing. Come out and learn the latest.

Coming programs: April 12th Homebrew Night ... April 26th to be announced

ISSUE 5-74 March 4, 1974 Silent Key. It is with deep Sympathy that
we announce the passing of one of the clubs oldest and best liked
members. Mr. Robert K. Caskey W9DNQ

Mr. Caskey died Monday in Methodist Hospital. He was an engineer for the
R. B. Annis Co for over 29 years, and a Amateur Radio instructor at the Indiana
School for the Blind. A short letter by one of his studentsat Southport follows:

The strength of every organization is built on the dedication and participation of
all its members. It is the firm quiet capable leadership of particular individuals
that sets the tone and purpose strived for in a clubs activities.

Every member of IRC realizes we have lost a leader in the passing of Robert K.
Caskey W9DNQ. His involvement with radio was perhaps the link that permitted
us all to meet and know Bob. But to many of us this was the introduction to a good
and cherished friend.

The pride and love Bob held for his wife Catherine and his daughters was
evident to all who knew him. The support they gave him in the pursuance of his
hobby and career was a wonderful example of the love and the warmth of the family.

Bob's participation in the IRC covered many years and he accepted the
responsibility of every office. In 1944 he was Club President and presently
represented the club in the IRCC.

It only seems natural that others recognized his ability and he received the
Amateur of the Year award ffrom Dayton -Hamvention. The IRC bestowed their
"Award of Appreciation" and the Indiana Radio Club Council (IRCC) gave him their
Amateur of the year Award.

Bob's genuine modesty prevented him from expounding on his achievements.
Instead he concentrated on service. For the past 10 years every Wednesday evening
you could find him at the Indiana School for the Blind, teaching, coaching and
encouraging those youngsters to enter his world of Amateur Radio.

My own experience is similar, when I needed a leader it was more than good
luck when I met Bob and was guided into the proper course of study. He was
never too busy to help and his door was always open for me and my brother, and
many younger fellows who consider him the example we wish to follow.

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A silent key perhaps, however it seems to me that as long as one of his pupils breaks radio silence or makes that contact W9DNQ still sends '73

By Doug Loughmiller WB9KPC

PROGRAM REVIEW Feb 22 Garry Hughes K9LNX. Gave a program on noise and how to recognize it and what to do about it. He used the facilities of the Indianapolis Power & light in his visual aids and a tape recording of common radio noises with explanation of pitch, intermittent and his demonstration of a door bell transformer completely blanking a TV set was very informative. The program was enjoyable from all standpoints as now we know what and where to look for when tracking down noise.

TAPE OF PROGRAM AVAILABLE: A new idea was started with Gary's program, Each program is being recorded on cassette for use by anyone who did not attend or for future reference. Anyone wishing the tape can call Doug Loughmiller 787-4993

NEWS: Jim Sugioka W9CKB was awarded his 10 year service pin from Disaster Section of Red Cross on Feb 5th. Keep up the good work Jim.

John Ealy just received his novice call WN9NWB (2-22-74) Good luck on C.W.

Denny D. Rotramel WB9KYO upgraded his license from General to Advance 2-15-74

Rick Davis WN9KMU passed his Tech. test....how about that General Rick?? A homebrew builder was heard using a commercial rig ?? Guess John WA9SXL just had to try the club's HR-2 on 2 FM.

New SCM is Michael P Hunter WA9EED from Beech Grove, Ind. Please feel free to come to any of our club meetings. Anyone is welcome. You don't have to be a member.

Bill Lueth reports we now have 78 Paid up members and still growing.

FOR SALE: HW-16 XCVR.....\$99.00 Contact Doug Loughmiller WB9KPC
(2) DX-60B XMTR.....\$69.00 787-4993
HR-10 RCVR.....\$49.00
HG-10 VFO\$40.00 or see Him at next club meeting

Part time Bob Annis of R. B. Annis 1101 N. Delaware could use some help, work possibly some technically qualified hams who have just retired or some of the younger technicians call 637-9282 for information.

40 Meter Conditions Bob Osterhous W9PSE worked 4BLYK, KP4AXM, KZ5NG and 6F8J Fair For ARRL DX on 40 SSB in DX phone 2nd weekend but conditions were not Phone 2 nd section as good as a month ago. Stations heard but not worked were: ZS6DW, KH6GKD Hawaii, YV4's and other South Americans.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS: Will be April 5th Jim Sugioka , May 3rd Mission Bldg. sponsored by Garry Hughes.

June 7th Wade Kingery's. September 6th Harold McGee W9LZ

OPERATING EVENTS: March 9-10 YL-OM CW Contest March 9-10 World Wide VHF
March 16-17 ARRL DX CW Contest
March 23-25 BARTG RTTY Contest
March 24 Worked all British HF CW Contest
March 30-31 CQ WW WPX SSB Contest

A timely article appears in a Editorial by Jim Fisk editor of Ham Radio Magazine March issue. He relates how at an electronics auction 4 warehouses of old time radio gear which cost thousands of dollars were sold to junk dealers, the tragedy is some of these belong in a museum. The point is Talk to your heirs and advise them what belongs in a museum, or make arrangements with your executor of your estate to donate certain prized items to the museum of your choice. This applies to equipment or old electronics books. Also have a trusted Ham sell equipment.